

In Response to God
Activities for the week of October 30, 2022

Today's Lectionary: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4; 11-12; Luke 19:1-10

Sunday	October 30	9:00 am – Church School & Confirmation Class 10:00 am – Worship
Monday	October 31	3 -7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Tuesday	November 1	3 -7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 10 am-2 pm – CCSC food collection 12 am-2 pm – Men's Lunch Bunch at Tapester's
Wednesday	November 2	3 -7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Thursday	November 3	3 -7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy 6:30 pm –
Friday	November 4	3 -7 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Saturday	November 5	9 am-6 pm – Houston Dragon Academy
Sunday	November 6	9:00 am – Church School 10:00 am – Worship

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

Pastor	The Rev. W. Scott Harbison
Parish Associate	The Rev. Dr. Bill Wade
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The Order of Worship

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REFORMATION SUNDAY

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Please begin quiet preparation for worship as the Tolling begins.

TOLLING

PRELUDE

Curt Hesse, bagpipe

Highland Cathedral
Ulrich Roever and Michael Korb

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE .

OPENING HYMN 229
LAST UNS ERFREUEN

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

People's Response: Thanks be to God

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (NT p. 82)

Luke 19:1-10

VOLUNTARY

Meditation on ASHGROVE
Welsh Folk Melody, arr. Daniel Burton

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Rev. W. Scott Harbison

“Essential Tenets of Reformed Faith”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE 179
CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEBEN

God Is My Strong Salvation

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY

Based on EIN FESTE BURG

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Setting by Gordon Young (1919-1998)

CLOSING RESPONSE

A Blessing Song

Marvin Gaspard (c) 2014

Voice

May the Lord sup-ply ev-ery-thing you need, ac - cor-ding to His rich-es in
glo - ry. As you go from this place, may His light shine up-on you and
give you peace. A - men.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Scotland the Brave
Scottish Gaelic: ALBA AN AIGH



Welcome to St. Luke's Presbyterian Church! If you are looking for a church home in Houston, we invite you to unite with St. Luke's. If you would like more information, please speak to Rev. Harbison after worship.

Sunday School: Children's Sunday School meets in Room 115 at 9 a.m. with Don Mims teaching the class. **The Adult Sunday School** class meets in the Library at 9 a.m. Patti Ernst is leading the class on a study of the Book of Romans. Our **Youth Group** meets at 9 a.m. in the history room (#129). Children and adult classes offer a virtual class alternative. Please let us know if you would like to receive a Zoom invitation.

Today's flowers are given by Kenneth Russell “to the glory of God and in celebration of my daughter, Abigail, being cancer free for five years. Prayers from my St. Luke's family are powerful.”

Reformation Sunday is always the last Sunday in October, It marks the occasion in 1517 when Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany. The Theses, which criticized the sale of indulgences by church officials, are considered the opening salvo in the Protestant Reformation, a movement that emphasized individual relationships with God and salvation through faith alone.

Today's bulletin cover is a Celtic Cross with a Luther Rose at its center. The Celtic Cross is a form of a Christian Cross featuring a nimbus or ring that emerged in Ireland and Britain in the Early Middle Ages. The shape is often decorated with Celtic Knots, symbolizing strength, harmony, friendship, affection and deep love. The Luther Rose, also known as the Luther Seal, is easily the most recognized symbol for Lutheranism, and for good reason. Martin Luther personally oversaw the creation of this symbol. It provides a beautiful summary of his faith, a faith that is common to all Christians, of every place and every time.

Our special guest today is Curt Hesse, an alumnus of St. Thomas Episcopal High School and a former member of the award winning St. Thomas Episcopal School Pipe Band. Thank you, Curt, for sharing your amazing gifts with us today, and welcome to St. Luke's!

The Men's Lunch Bunch will meet on Tuesday, November 1, at Tapester's Grill, 4520 Beechnut from 12-2 p.m. If you would like to attend, please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex to let us know you are planning to attend. Call Steve Hurysz (713.876.5486) or the church office for more information.

Friends of Music was established to provide special vocalists and instrumentalists throughout the year, and to supplement funding for our choir section leaders. This separate entity from our regular church budget is intended to help maintain a lower music budget. Gifts may be given in honor or memory of loved ones, or in celebration of anniversaries, birthdays, and special milestone events. For more information, contact Marvin Gaspard at mjgaspard@sbcglobal.net.